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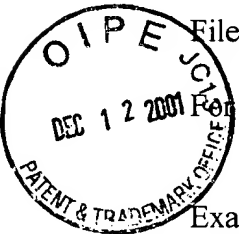
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and MPEP § 708.02(VIII), Applicant respectfully requests that the above-referenced application, which has not yet received any examination, be made special by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The basis for this petition is the following:

1) The Applicant believes that by the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith that the claims of the present invention are directed to a single invention. However, should the Examiner find otherwise, the Applicant will make an election without traverse;

2) A pre-examination search has been conducted. The areas of the search included:
Classes 273 and D21 and Subclasses 236, 268, 269, 271, 334, 376, and 377;

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3) A copy of all the references, including those deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims, are attached.

4) An Information Disclosure Statement is attached hereto. This Statement includes a detailed recitation, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.111(b) and (c), how the claimed subject matter is distinguishable over the attached references.

5) The appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) has been enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the application filed herewith be made special in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02(VIII).

Respectfully submitted,

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